

Amendments to the Specification:

Please add the following two new paragraphs after the paragraph ending on line 10 of page 3:

Fig. 6 is a side view of the dinnerware article of Fig. 5.

Fig. 7 is top view of a dinnerware article according to the invention in which likeness 20 is indicated generically at the location shown.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Fig. 5 shows a top view of a dinnerware article according to still another exemplary embodiment of the invention in which likeness 20 is affixed to the upper surface 14, the edge 18, and the lower surface 15 (hidden from view). Likeness 20 extends laterally from the edge, so that part of the likeness is above upper surface 14 and part of the likeness is below lower surface 15, and may be either permanently or removably affixed. The graphical diet reminder 22 includes a motivational message, "Don't Pig Out!", to encourage the user to keep to his or her diet. Fig. 6 shows the dinnerware article of Fig. 5 as viewed from the side to which the likeness of the pig 20 is attached. Thus the view of the pig in Fig. 6 is of the pig's back, while that shown in Fig. 5 is a full side view of the pig.

Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph ending on line 10 of page 7:

Fig. 7 shows a top view of a dinnerware article according to the invention in which likeness 20 is indicated generically at the location shown, on upper surface 14. As noted herein above, likeness 20 may be that of any creature, for example a walrus, a hippopotamus, a whale, an imaginary creature such as Jabba the Hutt™, or an obese person.

Amendments to the Claims: This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A dinnerware article adapted to receive food, the article comprising:

a shallow container with an upper surface having a center, and a lower surface joined to the upper surface at an edge;

a raised likeness of a creature affixed to the upper surface; and

a graphical diet reminder on the upper surface.
2. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the shallow container comprises one of a saucer, a dish, and a bowl.
3. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the shallow container comprises a plate.
4. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the likeness is adjacent the edge.
5. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the likeness comprises a statuette.
6. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the likeness comprises a raised relief figure.

7. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the likeness is permanently affixed to the upper surface.

8. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the likeness is removably affixed to the upper surface.

9. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the likeness is further affixed to the lower surface and the edge, and extends laterally from the edge.

10. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the upper surface comprises a central section and a border section adjacent and surrounding the central section, the border section extending to the edge.

11. (Original) The article of claim 10, wherein a distance from the edge to the central section is between 10% and 40% of a distance from the edge to the center.

12. (Original) The article of claim 10, wherein the likeness is affixed to the border section.

13. (Original) The article of claim 10, wherein the graphical diet reminder is on the central section.

14. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the likeness resembles one of a walrus, a hippopotamus, and a whale.

15. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the likeness resembles one of an imaginary creature and an obese person.

16. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the likeness resembles a pig.
17. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the likeness comprises therein a hollow space adapted to contain at least one pill.
18. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the likeness is hollow and comprises a bottom and a removable top, the likeness adapted to contain at least one pill.
19. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the graphical diet reminder comprises a diagram indicating a breakdown of diet according to food categories.
20. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the graphical diet reminder comprises an image of a food pyramid.
21. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the graphical diet reminder comprises a motivational message.
22. (Original) The article of claim 1, wherein the graphical diet reminder comprises numerical nutritional information.
23. (Currently Amended) A dinnerware article adapted to receive food, the article comprising:

a plate with an upper surface having a center, and a lower surface joined to the upper surface at an edge, wherein the upper surface comprises a central section and a border section adjacent and surrounding the central section, the border section extending to the edge;

a hollow statuette of a pig removably affixed to the border section, the statuette having a bottom and a removable top and being adapted to contain at least one pill; and

an graphical diet reminder comprising an image of a food pyramid on the central section.